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(54) **EPHEMERAL GALLERY USER INTERFACE WITH REMAINING GALLERY TIME INDICATION**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A server maintains a gallery of ephemeral messages. Each ephemeral message is posted to the gallery by a user for viewing by recipients via recipient devices. In response to a gallery view request from any of the recipient devices, the ephemeral messages in the gallery are displayed on the requesting device in automated sequence, each message being displayed for a respective display duration before display of the next message in the gallery. A user interface via which the gallery is viewable includes indicia of a current value of a time for which the gallery will remain available for viewing via the interface.

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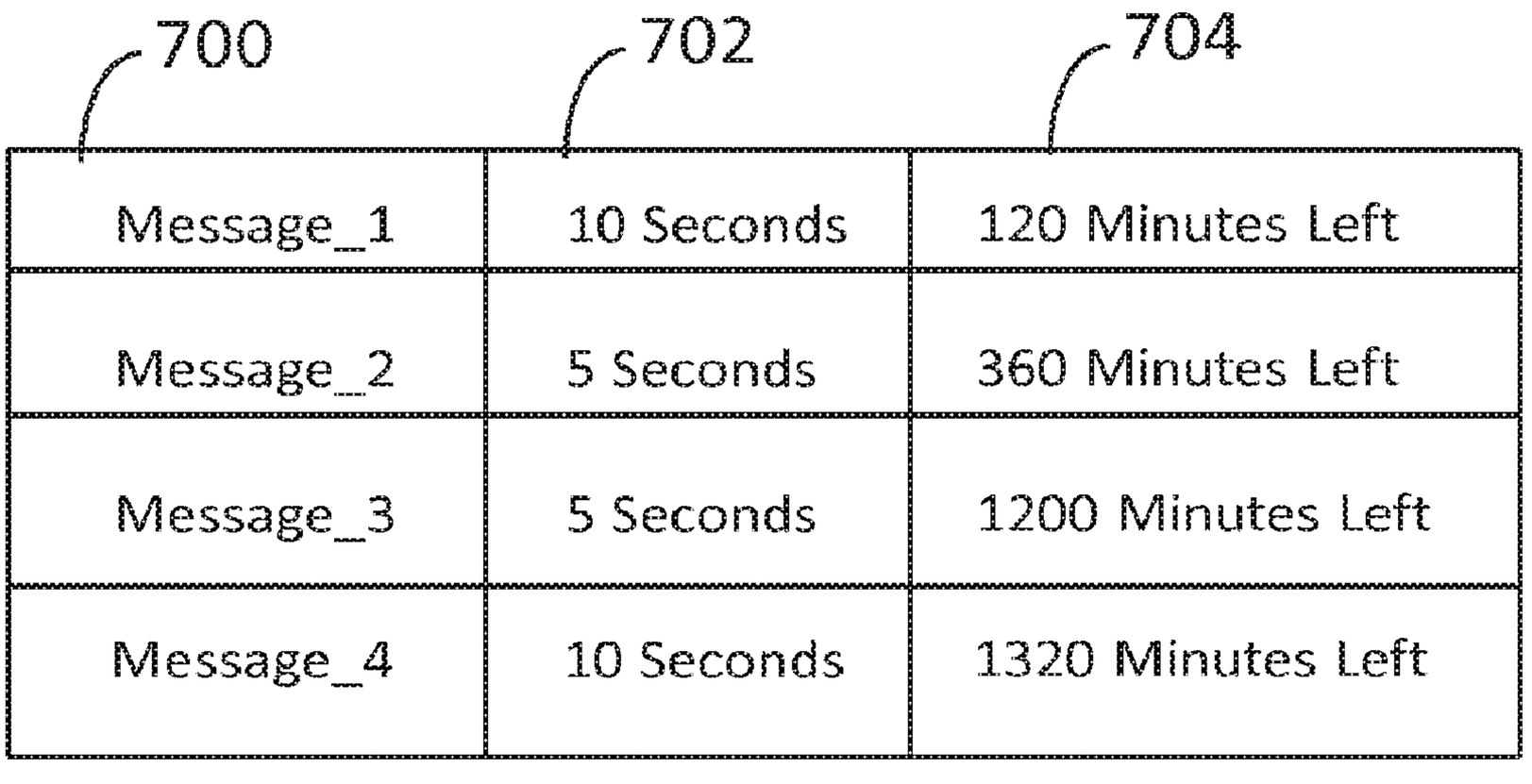

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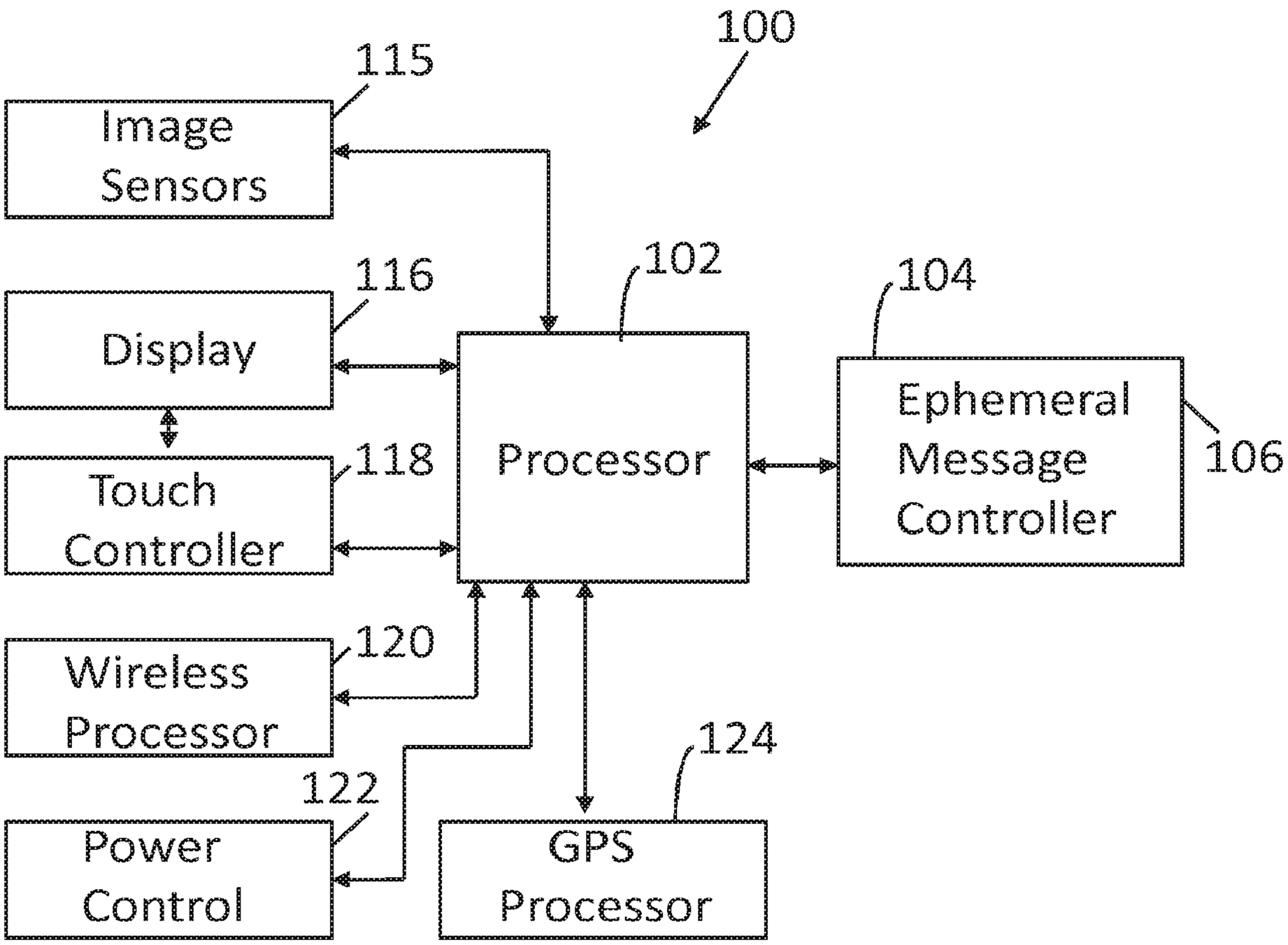
100
115
Image Sensors
116
Display
102
104
Ephemeral Message Controller
106
Processor
118
Touch Controller
120
Wireless Processor
122
Power Control
124
GPS Processor

FIG. 1

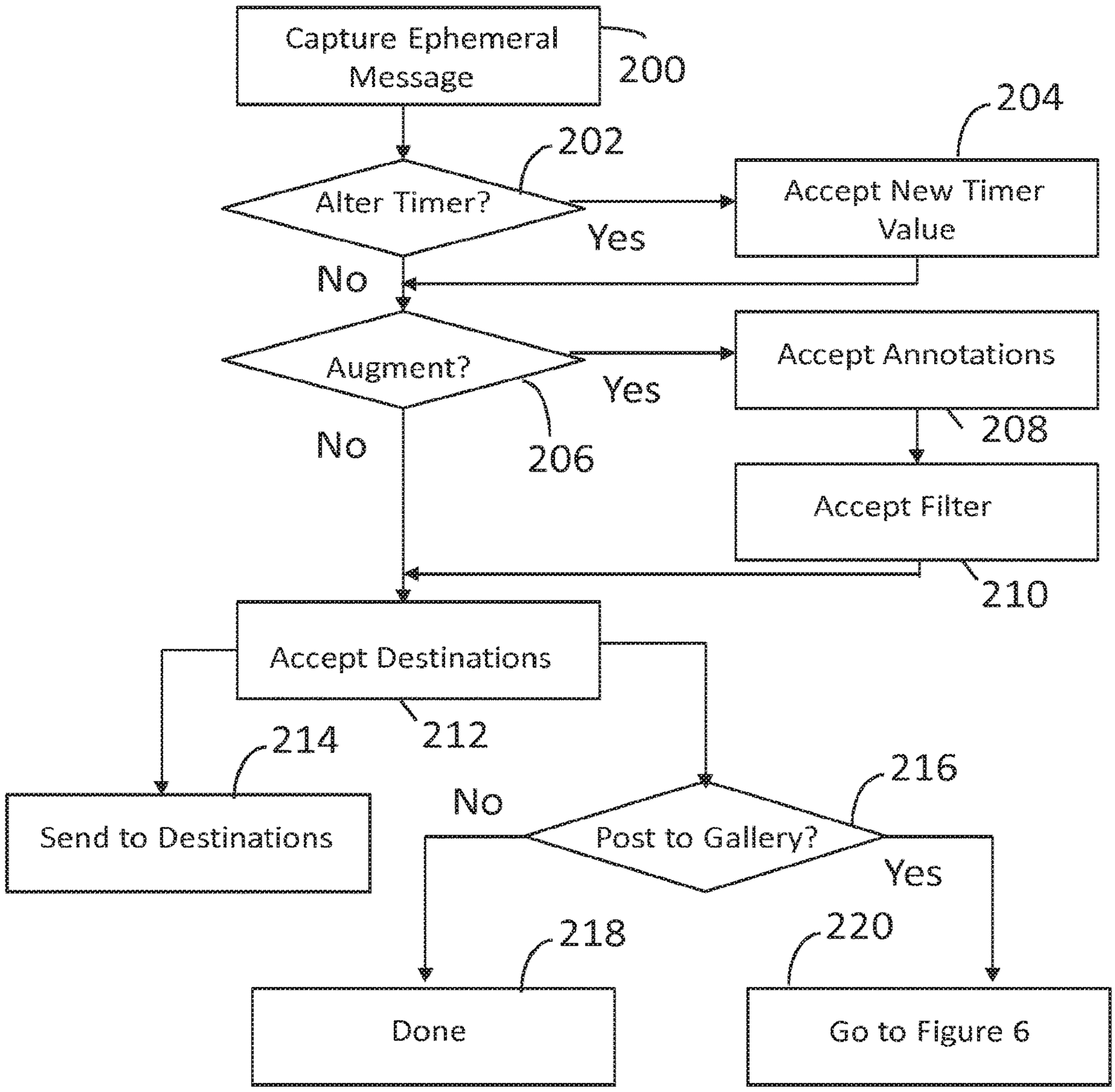
Capture Ephemeral Message
200
Alter Timer?
202
Yes
No
Accept New Timer Value
204
Augment?
206
Yes
No
Accept Annotations
208
Accept Filter
210
Accept Destinations
212
Send to Destinations
214
No
Post to Gallery?
216
Yes
Done
218
Go to Figure 6
220

FIG. 2

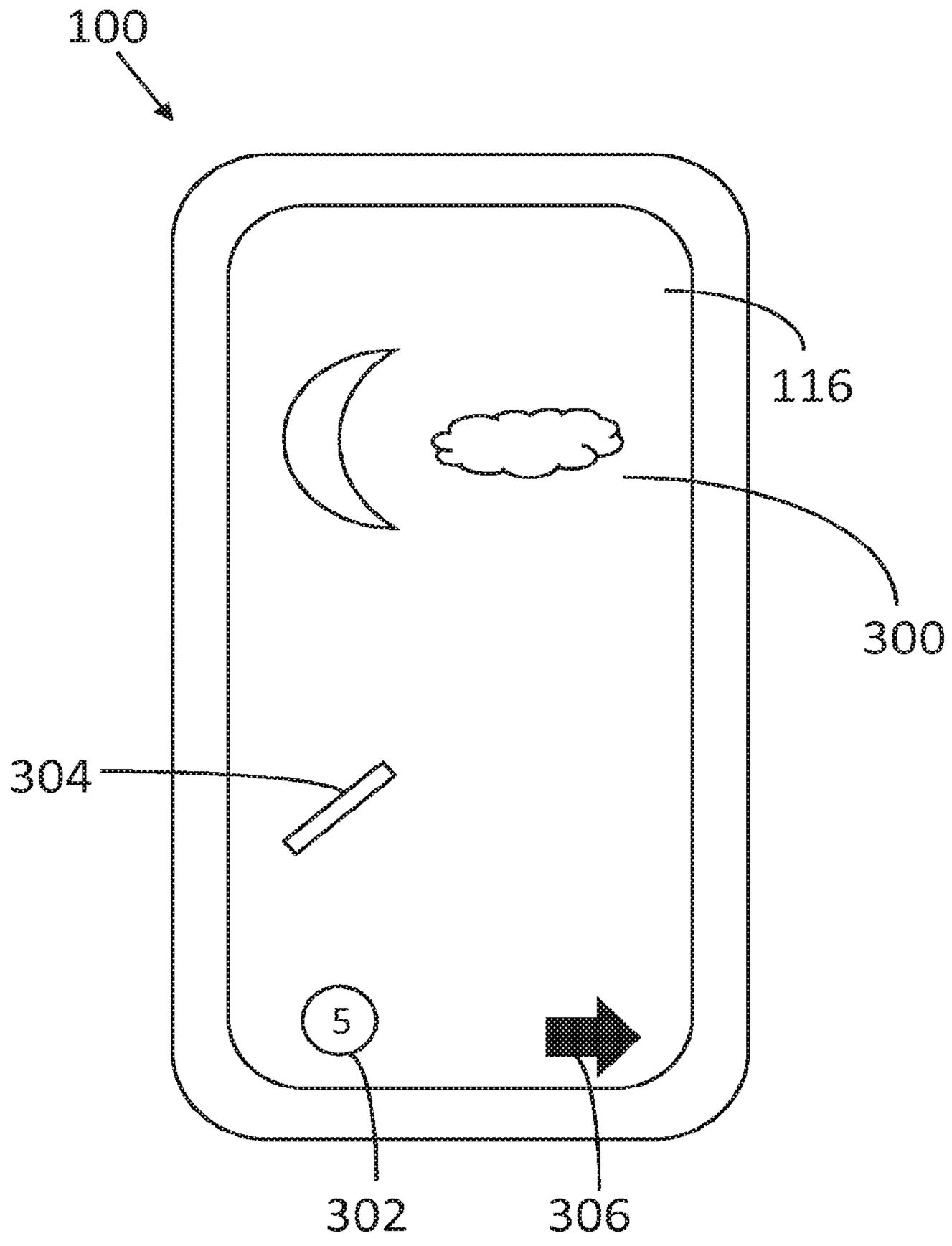

FIG. 3

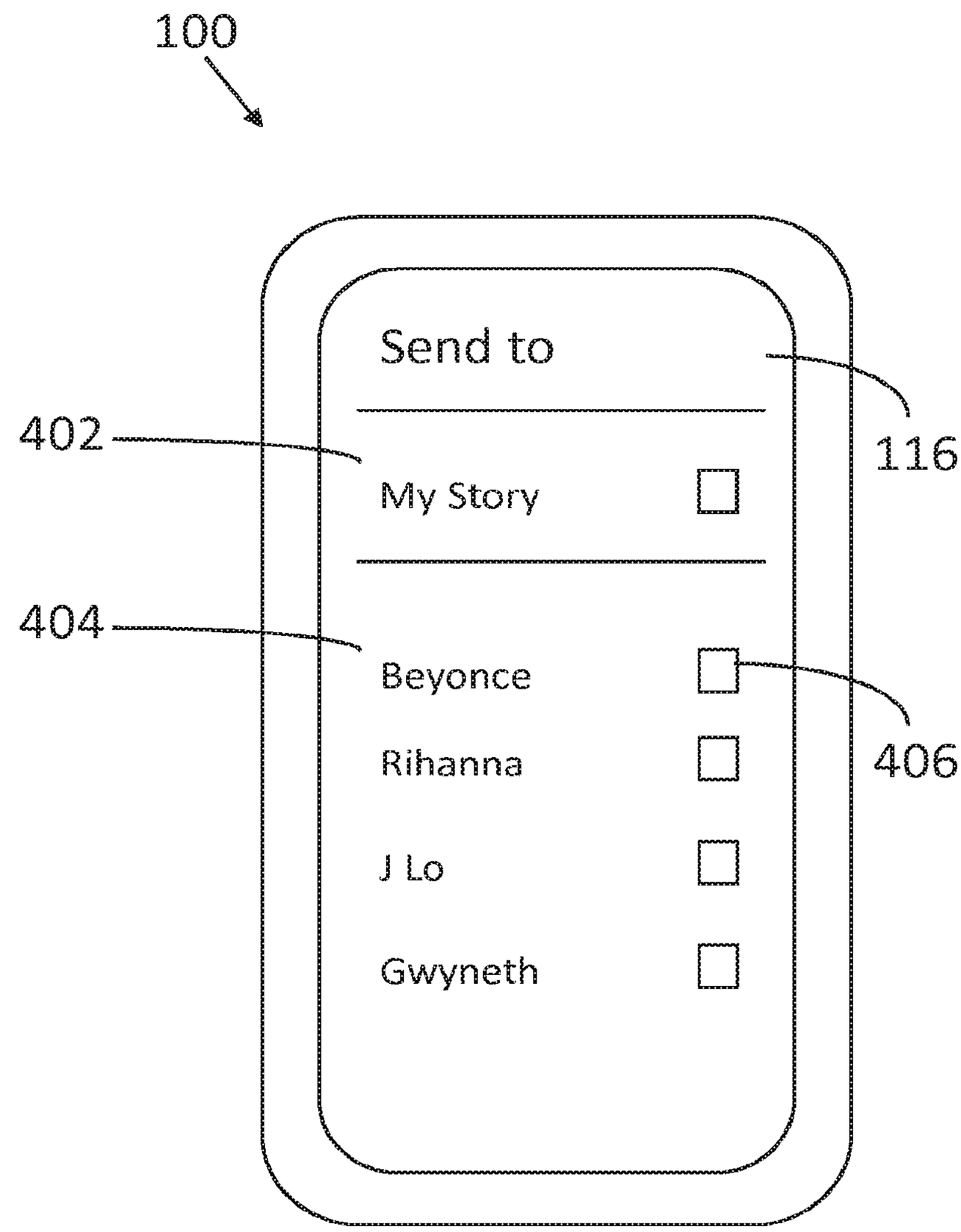
100
Send to
116
402
My Story
404
Beyonce
406
Rihanna
J Lo
Gwyneth

FIG. 4

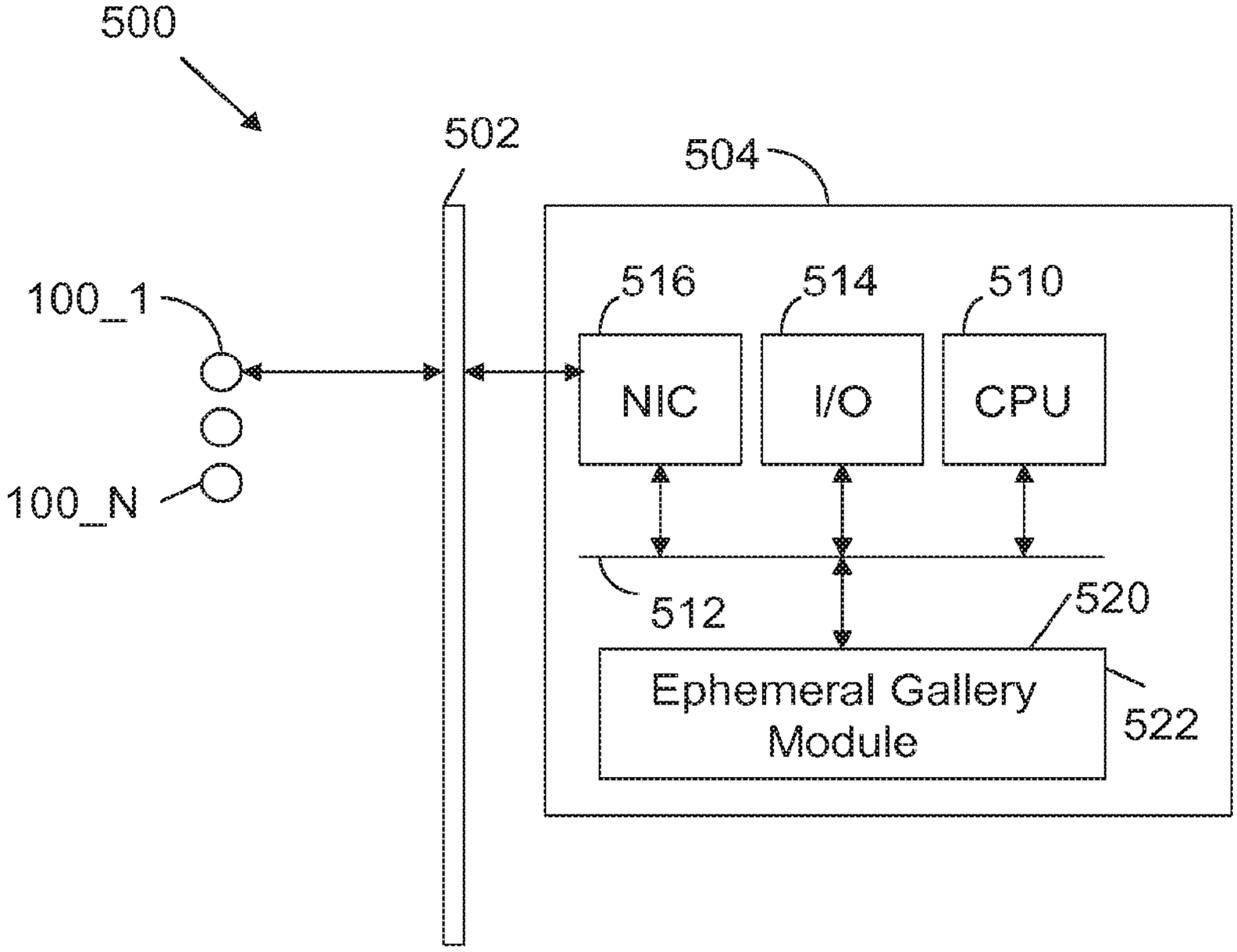
500
502
504
100_1
100_N
516
514
510
NIC
I/O
CPU
512
520
Ephemeral Gallery Module
522

FIG. 5

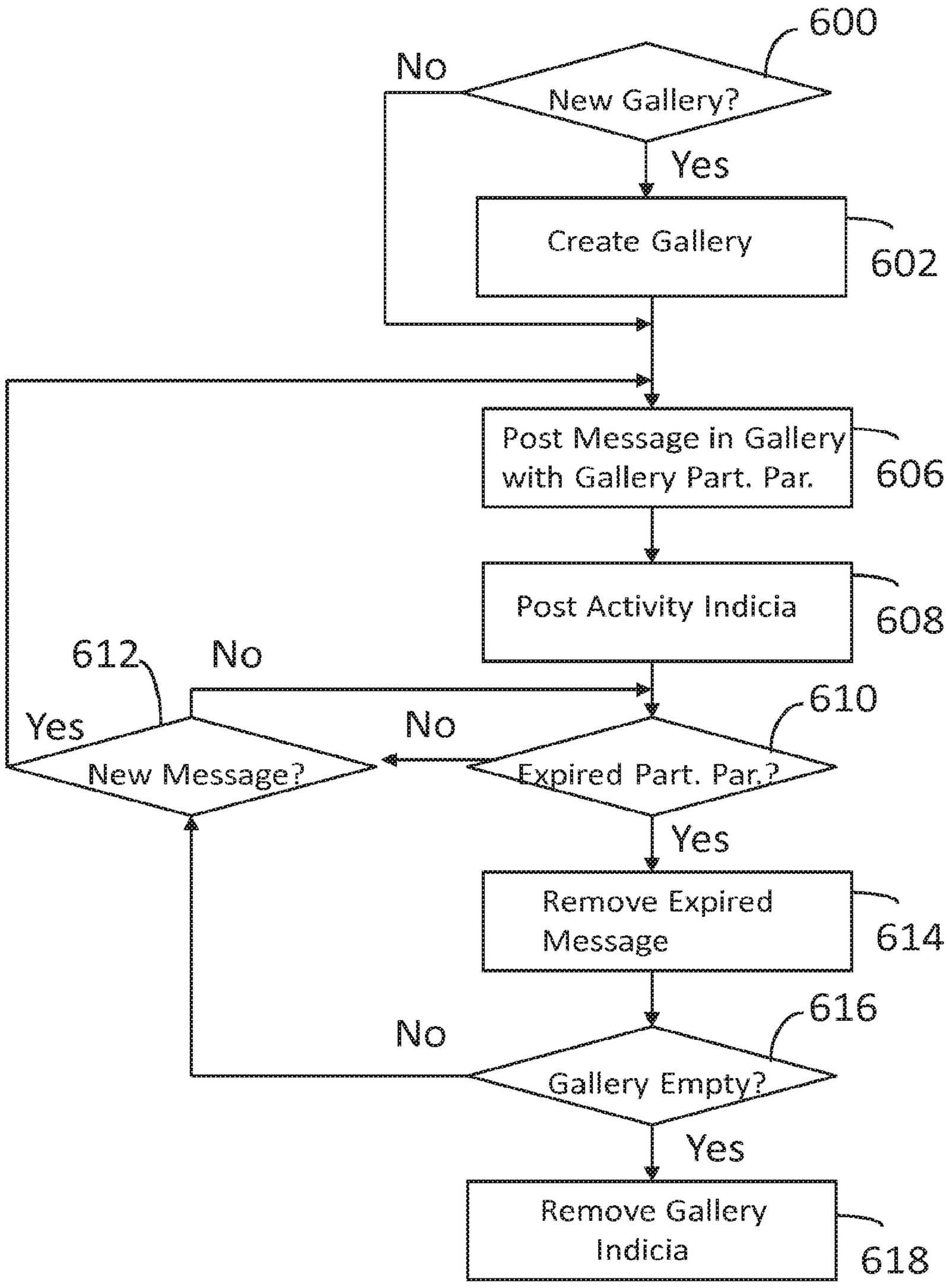
600
No
New Gallery?
Yes
Create Gallery
602
Post Message in Gallery with Gallery Part. Par.
606
Post Activity Indicia
608
612
No
610
Yes
No
New Message?
Expired Part. Par.?
Yes
Remove Expired Message
614
616
No
Gallery Empty?
Yes
Remove Gallery Indicia
618

FIG. 6

700	702	704
Message_1	10 Seconds	120 Minutes Left
Message_2	5 Seconds	360 Minutes Left
Message_3	5 Seconds	1200 Minutes Left
Message_4	10 Seconds	1320 Minutes Left

FIG. 7

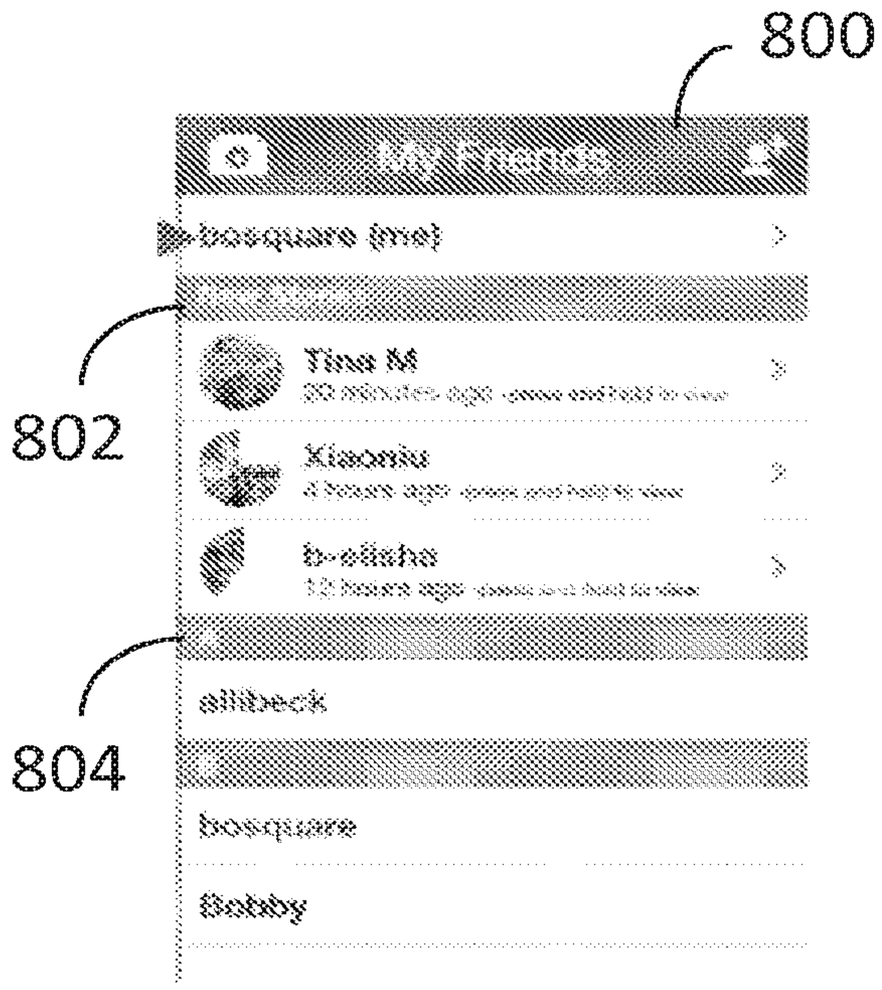
800
My Friends
bosquare (me)
802
Tina M
Xiaoniu
b-ellisha
804
allibeck
bosquare
Bobby

FIG. 8

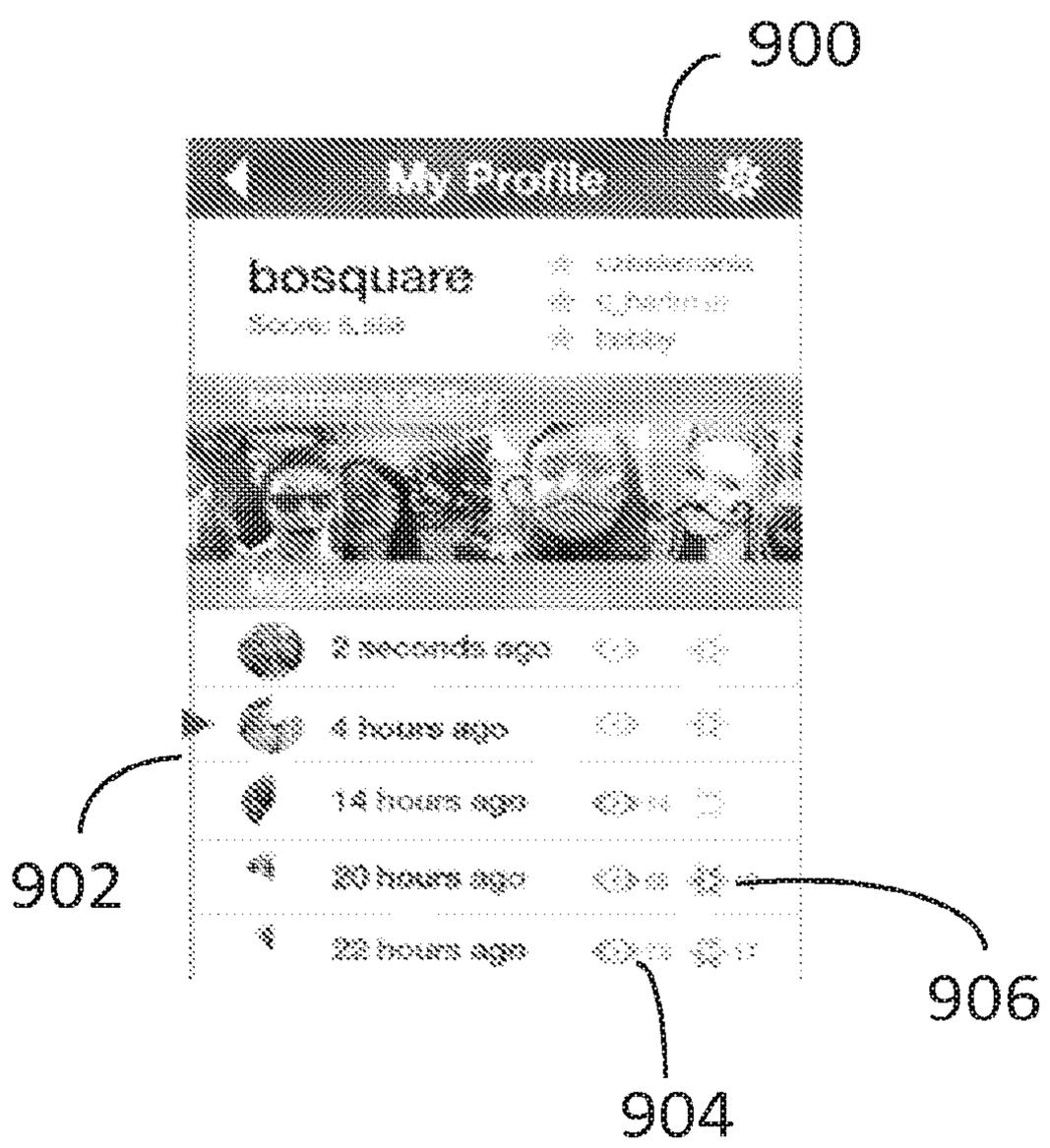
900
My Profile
bosquare
902
2 seconds ago
4 hours ago
14 hours ago
20 hours ago
22 hours ago
904
906

FIG. 9

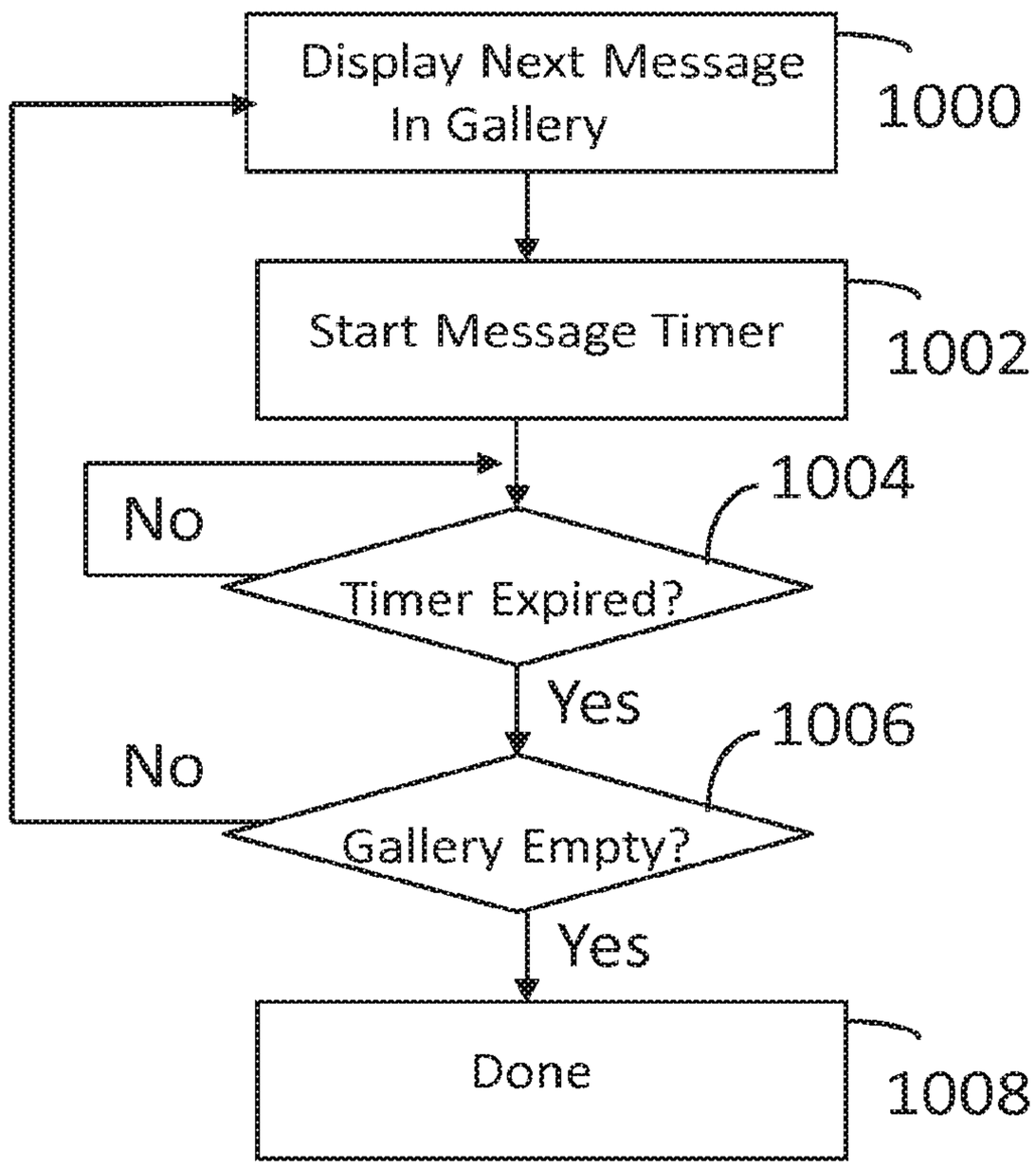
Display Next Message In Gallery
1000
Start Message Timer
1002
1004
No
Timer Expired?
Yes
1006
No
Gallery Empty?
Yes
Done
1008

FIG. 10

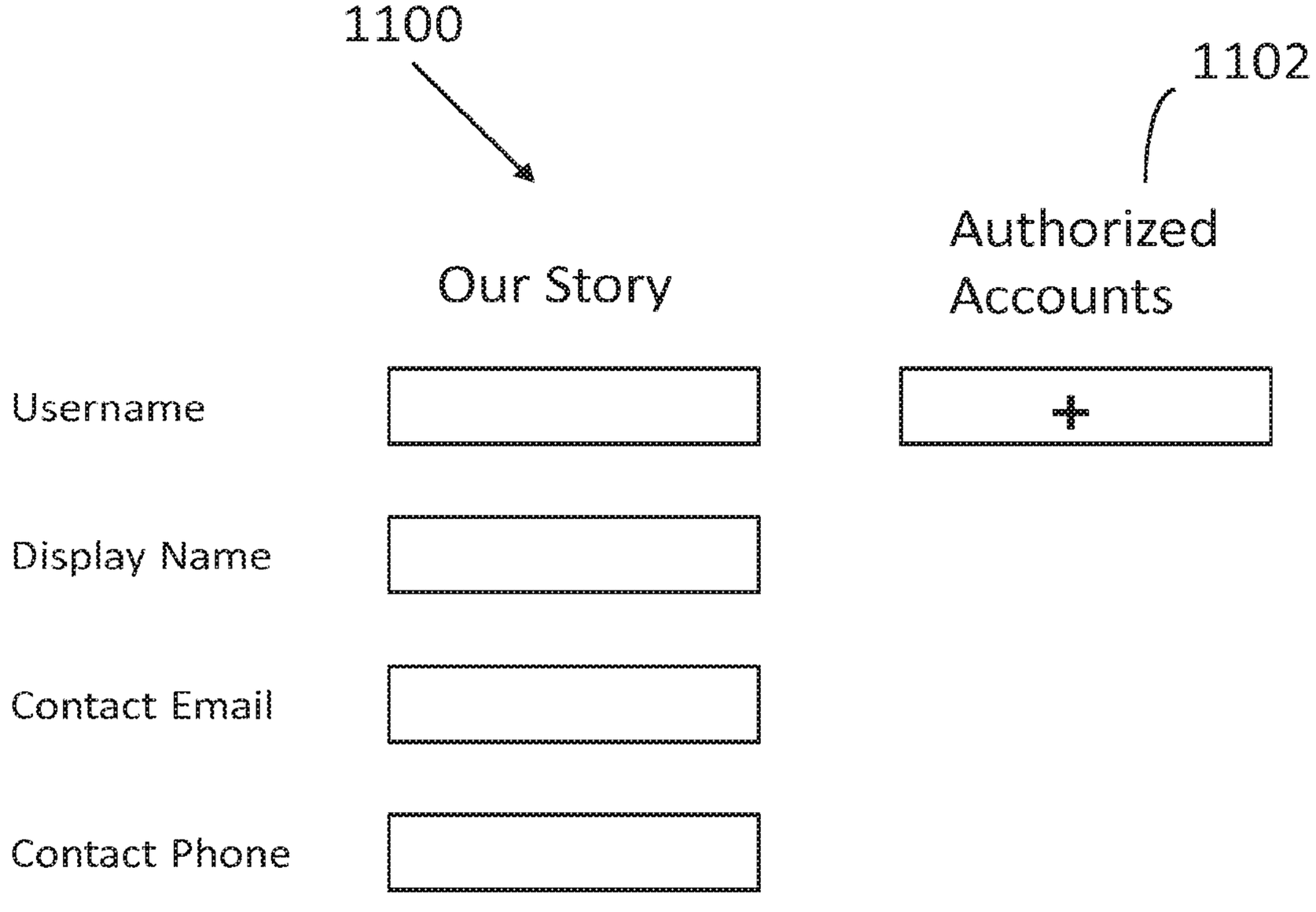
1100
1102
Authorized Accounts
Our Story
Username
Display Name
Contact Email
Contact Phone
+

FIG. 11

EPHEMERAL GALLERY USER INTERFACE WITH REMAINING GALLERY TIME INDICATION

CLAIM OF PRIORITY

This application is a continuation and claims the benefit of priority of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 14/505,478, filed Oct. 2, 2014, which is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates generally to the display of computer network delivered ephemeral messages. More particularly, this invention relates to an ephemeral gallery of ephemeral messages.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Messages (e.g., text, photo or video) delivered over computer networks are well known. However, one problem associated with such messages is that they require an affirmative act on the part of a user to delete or remove messages from their devices once the messages have been viewed or read. As a result, in some instances, users refrain from spontaneously sending many messages for fear of filling or cluttering a recipient's in-box.

In view of the foregoing, it would be desirable to maintain spontaneity and expand communicative content of messaging activity, while reducing the device management burdens imposed upon a message recipient.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

A server has a processor and a memory storing instructions executed by the processor to maintain an ephemeral gallery of ephemeral messages. An ephemeral message is posted to the ephemeral gallery. The ephemeral message has an associated message duration parameter and a gallery participation parameter. An ephemeral message is removed from the ephemeral gallery in response to the identification of an expired gallery participation parameter.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

The invention is more fully appreciated in connection with the following detailed description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which:

FIG. **1** illustrates components of an electronic device utilized in accordance with the invention.

FIG. **2** illustrates processing operations associated with an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. **3** illustrates an electronic device for capturing and augmenting an ephemeral message.

FIG. **4** illustrates an ephemeral message destination routing interface that may be used in accordance with an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. **5** illustrates a system to implement an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. **6** illustrates ephemeral gallery processing operations associated with an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. **7** illustrates an ephemeral gallery data structure associated with an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. **8** illustrates ephemeral gallery indicia associated with an embodiment of the invention.

FIG. **9** illustrates ephemeral gallery indicia associated with another embodiment of the invention.

FIG. **10** illustrates operations performed in response to an ephemeral gallery view request.

FIG. **11** illustrates an account administration interface to establish an ephemeral gallery that receives ephemeral messages from multiple users.

Like reference numerals refer to corresponding parts throughout the several views of the drawings.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

FIG. **1** illustrates an electronic device **100**. In one embodiment, the electronic device **100** is a smartphone with a processor **102** in communication with a memory **104**. The processor **102** may be a central processing unit and/or a graphics processing unit. The memory **104** is a combination of flash memory and random access memory. The memory **104** stores an ephemeral message controller **106** to implement operations of the invention. The ephemeral message controller **106** may include executable instructions to access a server which coordinates operations disclosed herein. Alternately, the ephemeral message controller **106** may include executable instructions to coordinate some of the operations disclosed herein, while the server implements other operations.

An ephemeral message may be a text, an image, a video and the like. The display time for the ephemeral message is typically set by the message sender. However, the display time maybe a default setting or a setting specified by the recipient. Regardless of the setting technique, the message is transitory (i.e., the message is deleted or otherwise made inaccessible after a certain period of time or after a certain action has been taken).

The processor **102** is also coupled to image sensors **115**. The image sensors **115** may be known digital image sensors, such as charge coupled devices. The image sensors capture visual media, which is presented on display **116**.

A touch controller **118** is connected to the display **116** and the processor **102**. The touch controller **118** is responsive to haptic signals applied to the display **116**. In one embodiment, the ephemeral message controller **106** monitors signals from the touch controller **118**. If haptic contact is observed by the touch controller **118** in connection with indicia of an ephemeral gallery, then the ephemeral gallery is displayed to the user as a sequence of ephemeral messages.

The electronic device **100** may also include other components commonly associated with a smartphone, such as a wireless signal processor **120** to provide connectivity to a wireless network. A power control circuit **122** and a global positioning system processor **124** may also be utilized. While many of the components of FIG. **1** are known in the art, new functionality is achieved through the ephemeral message controller **106** operating in conjunction with a server.

FIG. **2** illustrates processing operations associated with the ephemeral message controller **106**. Initially, an ephemeral message is captured **200**. FIG. **3** illustrates electronic device **100** and touch display **116** with a photograph **300** operative as an ephemeral message.

The next processing operation of FIG. **2** is to determine whether to alter a timer or a message duration parameter **202**. FIG. **3** illustrates an example of indicia **302** of a message duration parameter. In this example, the indicia indicates a default of 5 seconds as the message duration

parameter. If the indicia is engaged (e.g., through haptic contact), then a prompt may be supplied for a new message duration parameter (e.g., 10 seconds). Such activity (**202**—Yes) results in the acceptance of the new timer value **204**. If a new timer value is specified or no alteration of a timer transpires (**202**—No) control proceeds to block **206**. The user may be prompted to augment the ephemeral message. As shown in FIG. **3**, a drawing tool **304** may be supplied to allow a user to add a hand drawn message. The drawing tool **304** may be manipulated by haptic contact to enter a message or annotation of visual media. Alternately or in addition, a keyboard may be used to type augment a message. For example, a tap on the touch display **116** may result in a keyboard being displayed, which allows a user to enter a typed message.

As shown in FIG. **2**, annotations may be accepted **208** in this manner. Augmentation may also be in the form of photograph filters. That is, photograph filters may be accepted **210**. For example, a first right-to-left swipe motion on the touch display **116** may drag a first filter on top of the photograph. A second right-to-left swipe motion on the touch display **116** may drag a second filter on top of the photograph. Filter processing of this type is described in commonly owned U.S. Ser. No. 14/325,270, filed Jul. 7, 2014, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

The next operation of FIG. **2** is to accept destinations **212**. As more fully described below, a destination may be used to identify intended recipients of a message or a location or "gallery" where one or more messages may be accessed. FIG. **3** illustrates an icon **306** to invoke a destination list. Haptic contact on the icon may result in a destination list of the type shown in FIG. **4**. FIG. **4** illustrates an electronic device **100** displaying a destination list. The destination list may include a destination of "My Story" **402**, where "My Story" is a reference to an ephemeral gallery of ephemeral messages. The destination list may also include a friends or contacts section **404** listing various friends that may be ephemeral message recipients. Haptic contact with a box **406** associated with a listed individual or story places the corresponding individual or story on a destination list.

Returning to FIG. **2**, after the destination list is specified, the ephemeral message is sent to the specified destinations **214**. For example, the ephemeral message is sent to friends selected from section **404**, if any. A check is also made to determine whether the message should be posted to an ephemeral gallery **216**. If not (**216**—No), processing is completed. If so (**216**—Yes), the processing of FIG. **6** is performed **220**. Thus, it is possible to send a message to one or more friends and/or post to an ephemeral gallery.

FIG. **5** illustrates a system **500**. The figure presents a simplified representation of a set of electronic devices **100_1** through **100**_N, where each electronic device may be configured as the device of FIG. **1**. Each electronic device is in communication with a network **502**, which may be any combination of wireless and wired networks.

A server **504** is also connected to the network **502**. The server **504** includes standard components, such as a central processing unit **510** connected to input/output devices **514** via a network **512**. The input/output devices **514** may include a keyboard, mouse, display and the like. A network interface circuit **516** is also connected to the bus **512** to provide connectivity to network **502**. A memory **520** is also connected to the bus **512**. The memory **520** stores an ephemeral gallery module **522**. The ephemeral gallery module **522** stores instructions executed by the central processing unit **510** to implement operations of the invention. For example, the ephemeral gallery module **522** may include instructions to coordinate the processing operations of FIG. **2**. These operations may be controlled by the ephemeral gallery module **522** or they may be performed in conjunction with selective operations performed by the ephemeral message controller **106**.

FIG. **6** illustrates ephemeral gallery module **522** operations performed in accordance with an embodiment of the invention. The first operation of FIG. **6** is to determine whether a new gallery is needed **600**. As discussed in connection with FIG. **4**, designating "My Story" **402** as a message recipient results in a post of an ephemeral message to an ephemeral gallery. If a gallery does not exist (**600**—Yes), then a new gallery is created **602**. Alternately, if a gallery does exist and a user wants to create a new gallery, then the new gallery is created **602**. The user may be supplied a prompt to indicate whether an existing gallery should be used or a new gallery should be designated.

The message is then posted in the gallery with a gallery participation parameter **606**. The gallery participation parameter is an ephemeral period of time that the ephemeral message will continue to exist in the gallery. For example, a first ephemeral message posted to the gallery may have a default gallery participation parameter of 24 hours. In other instances, the gallery participation parameter may be set by a user. The gallery participation parameter value decreases with the passage of time. Thus, in this embodiment, an ephemeral message gallery subsists for as long as the gallery participation parameter of the last message posed to the gallery.

In another embodiment, a gallery timer may be assigned to a gallery by a user. The gallery timer may be used to establish a lifespan of an associated gallery and messages posted to this gallery subsist for no longer than the life of the gallery. Thus, in some embodiments, all messages posted to such a gallery will subsist for the duration of the life of the gallery (regardless of posting time). In other embodiments, messages may be submitted with a gallery participation parameter. In these embodiments, messages expire and become inaccessible at the earlier of the gallery participation parameter or the remaining life of the gallery.

The next processing operation of FIG. **6** is to post activity indicia **608**. Examples of activity indicia are provided below. A check is then made to determine whether there is an expired participation parameter **610**. If so (**610**—Yes), the ephemeral message associated with the expired participation parameter is removed from the ephemeral gallery **614**. If as a result of this removed message the gallery is empty (**616**—Yes), then the ephemeral gallery terminates and indicia of the gallery is removed **618**. If the gallery is not empty (**616**—No), a check is made for a new message **612**. If a new message exists (**612**—Yes), then processing returns to block **604**. If a new message does not exist (**612**—No), then processing returns to block **610**. If an expired participation parameter does not exist (**610**—No), then a check is made once again for a new message **612**.

FIG. **7** illustrates a data structure for an ephemeral message gallery. A first column **700** may have a list of messages. Another column **702** may have a list of message duration parameters for individual messages. Another column **704** may have a list of gallery participation parameters for individual messages. Observe in this example that the values in column **702** add up to 30 seconds. Thus, the ephemeral message gallery in this example has four messages that will take 30 seconds to display. Further observe that the oldest message (Message_**1**) is displayed first and will be removed in 120 minutes. In this example, the newest message (Mes-

sage_4) will remain in the ephemeral gallery for 1320 minutes at which point the ephemeral gallery will expire, unless another message is posted. The arrival of a new message alters the gallery timer, but does not alter gallery participation parameters.

FIG. **8** illustrates an interface **800** with a section **802** that designates available ephemeral message galleries (stories) and a section **804** with a listing of friends (available destinations for an ephemeral message). Observe that section **802** has indicia of ephemeral message gallery activity. FIG. **8** provides example indicia of the time that the last message was posted to the ephemeral message gallery. FIG. **8** also provides example graphical indicia of the amount of time remaining for an ephemeral message gallery. Observe that the first entry was posted 20 minutes ago and therefore has a full circle indicative of the time remaining for that ephemeral message gallery. On the other hand, the third entry was posted 12 hours ago and has approximately half a circle to indicate the time remaining for that ephemeral message gallery. This example contemplates a 24 hour period for an ephemeral message gallery. Naturally, other time periods may be utilized in accordance with embodiments of the invention.

FIG. **9** illustrates an interface **900** with information on a user's stories. Individual stories **902** have indicia of the amount of time remaining. Indicia **904** of the number of ephemeral gallery views is also provided. Indicia **906** of screenshots taken of an ephemeral message is also provided. This information is significant since the intent of the message was that it be ephemeral. If a message recipient overrides this intent by taking a screen shot, then the message sender is advised.

FIG. **10** illustrates processing operations performed by the ephemeral gallery module **522** in response to a request for an ephemeral message gallery. As shown in FIG. **8**, a user receives a list of **802** of available stories. Haptic contact with indicia of a story is operative as a request to view an ephemeral message gallery.

The first operation in FIG. **10** is to display the next message in the gallery **1000**. In the example of FIG. **7**, the oldest message is the first message to be displayed. A message timer is then started **1002**. The message timer expires at the end of the message duration parameter for the displayed ephemeral message. In the example of FIG. **7**, the first message (Message_1) is displayed for 10 seconds. Block **1004** checks for the timer to expire. Upon expiration of the timer (**1004**—Yes), a check is made to determine if the gallery is empty **1006**. If so (**1006**—Yes), processing is completed **1008**. If not (**1006**—No), processing returns to block **1000**. This processing loop is repeated until the gallery is empty.

FIG. **11** illustrates an account administration interface **1100** to establish an ephemeral gallery that receives ephemeral messages from multiple users. Such a feature may be used to facilitate celebrity or organizational accounts where numerous authorized users are allowed to post on behalf of a single account. In one embodiment, a username, display name, contact email and contact phone are specified by an account administrator. An authorized accounts prompt **1102** allows the account administrator to add other users to the ephemeral gallery. For example, activation of the prompt **1102** may result in prompts for a username, display name, contact email and/or contact phone. Alternately, activation of the prompt **1102** may result in an interface of the type shown in FIG. **4** through which authorized accounts may be added.

An embodiment of the present invention relates to a computer storage product with a computer readable storage medium having computer code thereon for performing various computer-implemented operations. The media and computer code may be those specially designed and constructed for the purposes of the present invention, or they may be of the kind well known and available to those having skill in the computer software arts. Examples of computer-readable media include, but are not limited to: magnetic media such as hard disks, floppy disks, and magnetic tape; optical media such as CD-ROMs, DVDs and holographic devices; magneto-optical media; and hardware devices that are specially configured to store and execute program code, such as application-specific integrated circuits ("ASICs"), programmable logic devices ("PLDs") and ROM and RAM devices. Examples of computer code include machine code, such as produced by a compiler, and files containing higher-level code that are executed by a computer using an interpreter. For example, an embodiment of the invention may be implemented using JAVA®, C++, or other object-oriented programming language and development tools. Another embodiment of the invention may be implemented in hardwired circuitry in place of, or in combination with, machine-executable software instructions.

The foregoing description, for purposes of explanation, used specific nomenclature to provide a thorough understanding of the invention. However, it will be apparent to one skilled in the art that specific details are not required in order to practice the invention. Thus, the foregoing descriptions of specific embodiments of the invention are presented for purposes of illustration and description. They are not intended to be exhaustive or to limit the invention to the precise forms disclosed; obviously, many modifications and variations are possible in view of the above teachings. The embodiments were chosen and described in order to best explain the principles of the invention and its practical applications, they thereby enable others skilled in the art to best utilize the invention and various embodiments with various modifications as are suited to the particular use contemplated. It is intended that the following claims and their equivalents define the scope of the invention.

The invention claimed is:

1. A method comprising:

at a server system, maintaining an ephemeral gallery comprising a plurality of ephemeral messages that respectively comprise visual media message content, the ephemeral gallery being viewable online via a user interface generated on a requesting client device in communication with the server system via a distributed computer network, online viewing of the ephemeral gallery comprising, responsive to a request from the requesting device, causing automated sequential display of the visual media message content of the plurality of ephemeral messages on the requesting device, the automated sequential display comprising displaying the visual media message content of the plurality of ephemeral messages one after the other for respective display intervals;

maintaining a gallery availability parameter that indicates a time value upon which continued availability of the ephemeral gallery is based, the ephemeral gallery upon expiry of the gallery availability parameter automatically being made unavailable for online viewing responsive to subsequent view requests from client devices, the gallery availability parameter changing in value with passage of time; and

causing display on the requesting device of the user interface for enabling the viewing of the ephemeral gallery, the user interface including gallery availability indicia indicating, based on a current value for the gallery availability parameter an elapsed time since posting of a last posted one of the plurality of ephemeral messages in the ephemeral gallery, the ephemeral gallery becoming unavailable upon expiry of a default time period after posting of the last posted ephemeral message.

2. The method of claim **1**, in which the gallery availability indicia includes an indication of a remaining time before the ephemeral gallery becomes unavailable for online viewing.

3. The method of claim **2**, in which the remaining time for the ephemeral gallery is provided by a difference between the default time period for message availability and the elapsed time since posting of the last posted ephemeral message.

4. The method of claim **1**, in which the gallery availability indicia include graphical indicia of an amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery.

5. The method of claim **4**, wherein the graphical indicia of the amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery comprises a user interface element whose on-screen area is variable corresponding to variation in the amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery.

6. The method of claim **5**, wherein the amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery is indicated by the on-screen area of the user interface element providing the graphical gallery availability indicia, the on-screen area of the user interface element progressively decreasing with a decrease in the amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery.

7. The method of claim **4**, wherein the graphical indicia of the amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery is provided by a graphical user interface element that is selectable by a user to trigger sequential playback of the ephemeral gallery.

8. The method of claim **7**, wherein the user-selectable graphical user interface element that provides the graphical indicia of the amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery is selectable by haptic contact with a display screen of the user device.

9. The method of claim **1**, in which the default time period for availability of the ephemeral gallery after posting of the last posted message is 24 hours.

10. The method of claim **1**, wherein the user interface includes a view displaying a list of available ephemeral galleries together with respectively gallery availability indicia.

11. A system comprising:

one or more computer processors; and

one or more memories storing instructions executed by the one or more computer processors to configure the one or more computer processors to perform automated operations comprising:

at a server system, maintaining an ephemeral gallery comprising a plurality of ephemeral messages that respectively comprise visual media message content, the ephemeral gallery being viewable online via a user interface generated on a requesting client device in communication with the server system via a distributed computer network, online viewing of the ephemeral gallery comprising, responsive to a request from the requesting device, causing automated sequential display of the visual media message content of the plurality of ephemeral messages on the requesting device, the automated sequential display comprising displaying the visual media message content of the plurality of ephemeral messages one after the other for respective display intervals;

maintaining a gallery availability parameter that indicates a time value upon which continued availability of the ephemeral gallery is based, the ephemeral gallery upon expiry of the gallery availability parameter automatically being made unavailable for online viewing responsive to subsequent view requests from client devices, the gallery availability parameter changing in value with passage of time; and

causing display on the requesting device of the user interface for enabling the viewing of the ephemeral gallery, the user interface including gallery availability indicia indicating, based on a current value for the gallery availability parameter, an elapsed time since posting of a last posted one of the plurality of ephemeral messages in the ephemeral gallery, the ephemeral gallery becoming unavailable upon expiry of a default time period after posting of the last posted ephemeral message.

12. The system of claim **11**, in which the gallery availability indicia includes an indication of a remaining time before the ephemeral gallery becomes unavailable for online viewing.

13. The system of claim **12**, in which the remaining time for the ephemeral gallery is provided by a difference between the default time period for message availability and the elapsed time since posting of the last posted ephemeral message.

14. The system of claim **11**, in which the gallery availability indicia include graphical indicia of an amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery.

15. The system of claim **14**, wherein the graphical indicia of the amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery comprises a user interface element whose on-screen area is variable corresponding to variation in the amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery.

16. The system of claim **15**, wherein the amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery is indicated by the on-screen area of the user interface element providing the graphical gallery availability indicia, the on-screen area of the user interface element progressively decreasing with a decrease in the amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery.

17. The system of claim **14**, wherein the graphical indicia of the amount of time remaining for the ephemeral gallery is provided by a graphical user interface element that is selectable by a user to trigger sequential playback of the ephemeral gallery.

18. The system of claim **11**, wherein the user interface includes a view displaying a list of available ephemeral galleries together with respectively gallery availability indicia.

19. A non-transitory computer readable storage medium having stored thereon instructions for causing a machine, when executing the instructions, to perform operations comprising:

at a server system, maintaining an ephemeral gallery comprising a plurality of ephemeral messages that respectively comprise visual media message content, the ephemeral gallery being viewable online via a user interface generated on a requesting client device in communication with the server system via a distributed computer network, online viewing of the ephemeral gallery comprising, responsive to a request from the

requesting device, causing automated sequential display of the visual media message content of the plurality of ephemeral messages on the requesting device, the automated sequential display comprising displaying the visual media message content of the plurality of ephemeral messages one after the other for respective display intervals;

maintaining a gallery availability parameter that indicates a time value upon which continued availability of the ephemeral gallery is based, the ephemeral gallery upon expiry of the gallery availability parameter automatically being made unavailable for online viewing responsive to subsequent view requests from client devices, the gallery availability parameter changing in value with passage of time; and

causing display on the requesting device of the user interface for enabling the viewing of the ephemeral gallery, the user interface including gallery availability indicia indicating, based on a current value for the gallery availability parameter an elapsed time since posting of a last posted one of the plurality of ephemeral messages in the ephemeral gallery, the ephemeral gallery becoming unavailable upon expiry of a default time period after posting of the last posted ephemeral message.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the Title Page

On page 5, in Column 2, under "Other Publications", Line 6, delete "Mar. 24, 2017"," and insert --Mar. 14, 2017",-- therefor

On page 9, in Column 1, under "Other Publications", Line 9, delete "Resonse" and insert --Response-- therefor

On page 9, in Column 1, under "Other Publications", Line 11, delete "Resonse" and insert --Response-- therefor

On page 11, in Column 1, under "Other Publications", Line 41, delete "Apr. 10, 2020" and insert --Apr. 16, 2020-- therefor

In the Claims

In Column 7, Line 5, in Claim 1, delete "parameter" and insert --parameter,-- therefor

In Column 9, Line 20, in Claim 19, delete "parameter" and insert --parameter,-- therefor

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